

Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

This Action Plan covers the third year of the 2013 - 2017 (5 year) Consolidated Plan.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The city's priority in this Action Plan continues to be improving the existing owner-occupied affordable housing stock. The objectives being (1) Creating Suitable Living Environments, (2) Decent Affordable Housing. The outcomes being (1) Availability and-or Accessibility, (2) Affordability, (3) Sustainability.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The Housing Services Program in the past has made a significant impact in not only neighborhoods but the city in general. The city continues to make the Housing Services Program its' major goal.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The city placed display ads in the local newspapers encouraging its' residents and other agencies to comment on the 2015 Action Plan. The city also consulted with various not-for-profit agencies in developing the plan.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

No one attended the public hearings

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

There were no comments during the comment period or during the public hearing

7. Summary

Even after placing two (2) large display ads in the local newspapers no one usually attends the public hearings

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	SPRINGDALE	
CDBG Administrator		
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator		
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The city's Planning & Community Development Department has a full time staff person responsible to prepare all plans and administer the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

For information about the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans or general information about the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Contact: Don Hancock, Community Development Block Grant Manager **Phone Number:** 750-8175 **Email:** dhancock@springdalear.gov

AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The city consulted with citizens, housing providers, homeless shelter and other agencies in the development of this plan.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))

The Community Development Block Grant Manager has display ads placed in the local newspapers encouraging public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies to attend the public hearing and provide input into the development of this plan.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The city is a member of the Continuum of Care and the planning director's administrative assistant maintains contact with the local Continuum of Care

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The city does not consult with all Continuums of Care

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	SEVEN HILLS HOMELESS CENTER-NWARK
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency was consulted face-to-face and through emails.

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care		

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

No citizens participated in the process of developing this action plan

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Meeting	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	No one attended the public meeting	No comments were received		

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing				

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c) (1, 2)

Introduction

The City anticipates it will receive the same amount of Community Development Block Grant Funds it received for the 2014 Program Year. The city also anticipates it will have funds remaining from the 2014 Program Year to carry over to the 2015 Program Year. The city did not receive its annual allocation of 2014 grant funds until June 20, 2014.

Priority Table

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	826,983	4,200	313,360	1,144,543	1,653,966	

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

2015 Program Year funds will not be used to leverage additional resources and the city has no matching requirements for Community Development Block Grant funds.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

No publically owned land or property will be used to address needs in this plan.

Discussion

The majority of the 2015 Entitlement Grant will be directed to the Housing Services Program

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Housing Services	2013	2017	Affordable Housing	Low-income individuals and families	Housing Rehabilitation	CDBG: \$705,474	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 35 Household Housing Unit
2	Seven Hills Homeless Shelter	2013	2017	Homeless	Low-income individuals and families	Seven Hills Homeless Shelter		Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1000 Persons Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 100 Persons Assisted
3	Bread of Life	2013	2017	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Low-income individuals and families	Bread of Life	CDBG: \$25,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 5000 Persons Assisted
4	Transportation Program	2013	2017	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Low-income individuals and families	Transportation	CDBG: \$20,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1000 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Program Administration	2013	2017	Program Administration	Low-income individuals and families	Program Administration	CDBG: \$50,000	Other: 100 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Housing Services
	Goal Description	This activity includes the cost to administer the Housing Services Program and to provide grants to extremely-low to moderate-income citizens with removing lead-based paint hazards and the rehabilitation of the existing affordable owner-occupied housing stock.
2	Goal Name	Seven Hills Homeless Shelter
	Goal Description	The City will provide the University of Arkansas with funding to assist with a homeless survey and point-in-time count.
3	Goal Name	Bread of Life
	Goal Description	The city will provide funding to the First United Methodist Church in order to fund the Bread of Life Program in Springdale. This program serves over 5,000 people annually.
4	Goal Name	Transportation Program
	Goal Description	The Transportation Program is administered by the Mayor's office personnel. Taxi coupons are provided to over 85 citizens monthly to assist with their transportation needs to and from Dr's office and other vital places.

5	Goal Name	Program Administration
	Goal Description	The cost associated with this program includes but not limited to; preparing the Annual Action Plan, Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report, Quarterly Financial Reports, Semi-annual Reports, Environmental Reports and other documents and reports required by the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b):

The city expects to assist 40 extremely-low to low/moderate income individuals or families with the rehabilitation of their homes.

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The city has no new projects planned for 2015. The city will fund the same three projects funded during the 2014 Program Year.

#	Project Name
1	Housing Services
2	Public Services
3	Program Administration

Table 8 – Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

Housing Services includes the rehabilitation of single family dwellings and is the city's priority

Projects

AP-38 Projects Summary

Project Summary Information

Table 9 – Project Summary

1	Project Name	Housing Services
	Target Area	Low-income individuals and families
	Goals Supported	Housing Services
	Needs Addressed	Housing Rehabilitation
	Funding	CDBG: \$755,349
	Description	Housing Administration and Housing Rehabilitation of single-family dwellings
	Target Date	12/31/2015
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 40 households will benefit from the housing rehabilitation program.
	Location Description	The housing rehabilitation program is a city-wide program.
	Planned Activities	Housing Administration and Housing rehabilitation of single family dwellings
2	Project Name	Public Services
	Target Area	Low-income individuals and families
	Goals Supported	Bread of Life Transportation Program
	Needs Addressed	Seven Hills Homeless Shelter Bread of Life Transportation

	Funding	CDBG: \$70,000
	Description	Public Service activities
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Bread of Life: Provide funds to assist low-income families and individuals with food, utility assistance and personal hygiene Transportation: Provide taxi coupons to elderly and disabled seniors Seven Hills: Provide funds to assist the homeless
3	Project Name	Program Administration
	Target Area	Low-income individuals and families
	Goals Supported	Program Administration
	Needs Addressed	Program Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Cost associated with administering the CDBG Program
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Administration of the CDBG Program

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Assistance will not be directed to any specific geographic area

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Low-income individuals and families	

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Funds will not be committed geographically

Discussion

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The city's priority is to rehab the existing older affordable housing stock

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	40
Special-Needs	0
Total	40

Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	40
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	40

Table 12 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The goal is to rehab 40 older existing single family dwellings owned and occupied by low-to-moderate homeowners

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Springdale has its' on Public Housing Authority that is federally funded. The city does not provide funds from the Entitlement Grant to the Housing Authority

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

No actions are planned to address public housing

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

There are currently no activities to encourage homeownership

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

The PHA is not a troubled PHA

Discussion

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

Springdale does not have a Homeless Shelter; the city provided 2014 funds to the Fayetteville Homeless Shelter

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The city has chosen to provide funds for a homeless survey and point-in-time count

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

This is left up to the Homeless shelter

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

The city provides funding to the homeless shelter to assist the homeless with their individual needs

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

Housing Rehabilitation assist in preventing homelessness

Discussion

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family
Tenant-based rental assistance
Units provided in housing facilities (transitional or permanent) that are being developed, leased, or operated
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds
Total

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction

The Planning Director and the CDBG Manager discuss barriers to affordable housing

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

The CDBG Manager works with the Planning Director to remove any negative effects of public policies that are barriers to affordable housing

Discussion

The Planning Director monitors public policies affect affordable housing

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction

Other action include improved coordination between the City and non-profit agencies

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Seniors and single parents are priorities for the city

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Housing Rehabilitation is the city's priority in maintaining affordable housing

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

All single family dwellings constructed prior to 1978 is tested for the presence of lead-based paint. Contractors certified in lead-based paint safe work practices are hired to remove if possible or to cover material containing lead-based paint. A lead-based paint clearance test is performed on the dwelling after the work is completed to ensure no lead-based paint dust or hazards remain.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

No actions planned

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The CDBG Manager will continue to improve the current institutional structure

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

Reaching out by emails and other forms of communications to enhance coordination

Discussion

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

Discussion